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January 12, 2009

**RE: CONSUMER & COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS SURVEY UPDATE FOR
DRY CLEAN ONLY SPOT REMOVERS**

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Air Resources Board (ARB) is conducting a survey for Spot Removers used on dry clean only fabrics. For the purposes of this survey, Dry Clean Only Spot Removers includes products sold to general consumers, distributors of institutional products, mass marketers, or commercial dry cleaning facilities, and are defined as:

any product designed to clean localized areas, or remove localized spots or stains on cloth or fabric such as drapes, rugs, upholstery, or clothing and labeled exclusively for use on: (1) fabrics which are labeled "for dry cleaning only;" or (2) "S-coded" fabrics. Dry Clean Only Spot Removers includes, but is not limited to, those products used by household consumers, institutions, commercial dry cleaners and commercial businesses that remove spots from fabrics such as draperies at the customer's residence or work place. S-coded fabric means an upholstery fabric designed to be cleaned only with water-free spot cleaning products as specified by the Joint Industry Fabric Standards Committee.

This survey is intended to be completed by the "responsible party." Responsible party means the company, firm or establishment listed on the label of the chemically formulated product used by household, business, commercial, and/or institutional consumers.

The purpose of this survey is to evaluate the feasibility of further reducing volatile organic compounds, reactive organic compounds, toxic air contaminants, and high-global warming greenhouse gas emissions from consumer products. In this survey, we are gathering sales data for Dry Clean Only Spot Removers (Category Code 20511) that were sold or supplied for use in California in 2008. Please find enclosed, the Consumer & Commercial Products Survey Update Forms 1-4. Please use these forms to send us your product data, including sales, for the calendar year 2008.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

California Environmental Protection Agency

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Please note that completion of the survey update is mandatory under California State law. You must return the attached Forms 1-4 to ARB as soon as possible, but no later than February 27, 2009.

We would like to express our appreciation to the individuals and associations that responded to our surveys and assisted us in developing the surveys, as your input has proven invaluable. We appreciate the effort, resources and commitment that industry has put forth to complete the surveys.

If you have questions concerning completion of the survey, please contact Ms. Jenifer Kiger, Measures Development Section, at (916) 324-9551, or by e-mail at jkiger@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert D. Barham", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Robert D. Barham, Ph.D.
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Enclosure

cc: Jenifer Kiger
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